



Equitas Academy Charter School

Minutes

February Board Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday February 13, 2025 at 3:30 PM

Location

1612 W Pico Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90015

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Topic: February Board Meeting

When: Feb 13, 2025 03:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

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Directors Present

C. Langston (remote), D. Ortiz, L. Heisser, M. Gomez, P. Reddy, R. McKenzie (remote), S. Jauregui, T. Bell, T. Hollenberg

Directors Absent

None

Directors who arrived after the meeting opened

T. Bell

Guests Present

A. Pariano, B. Canosa-Carr, C. Janssens, C. Melgares, J. Edelman, J. Freeman, J. Rudolph, K. Farrar, K. Gouveia, L. Lofton, N. Peters (remote), R. Spencer, S. Roditti, Samira Estilai

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

L. Heisser called a meeting of the board of directors of Equitas Academy Charter School to order on Thursday Feb 13, 2025 at 3:40 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

- M. Gomez made a motion to approve the minutes from December Board Meeting on 12-12-24.
- S. Jauregui seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

T. Bell Absent
P. Reddy Aye
M. Gomez Aye
T. Hollenberg Aye
L. Heisser Aye
D. Ortiz Aye
S. Jauregui Aye
C. Langston Aye
R. McKenzie Aye

II. Public Comment

A. Public Comment

No public comment was made.

III. Organizational Updates

A. Principal Presentation

Corrie Janssens presented a school update on EQ4.

Jason Rudolph, Robert Spencer and Kyle Gouveia shared an update on the EQ5 Renewal process.

Sofia Roditti shared an update on Equitas priorities and the Equitas team shared details on Board member questions.

B. Equitas Academy #5 Renewal Update

C. Equitas Priorities

D. Break

T. Bell arrived at 4:55 PM.

E. '25-'26 Academic Calendar

- P. Reddy made a motion to Approve the 25-26 Academic Calendar.
- T. Bell seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

- P. Reddy Aye
- D. Ortiz Aye
- M. Gomez Aye
- C. Langston Aye
- R. McKenzie Aye
- L. Heisser Aye
- T. Hollenberg Aye
- T. Bell Aye
- S. Jauregui Aye

F. Form 700/Conflict of Interest

Cecilia Melgares presented details and updates on Form 700/Conflict interest Form.

G. Declaration of Need

- D. Ortiz made a motion to Approve the Declaration of Need.
- T. Hollenberg seconded the motion.

Jessica Edelman presented updates on the Declaration on Need.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

- T. Bell Aye
- T. Hollenberg Aye
- D. Ortiz Aye
- M. Gomez Aye
- C. Langston Aye
- R. McKenzie Aye

Roll Call

S. Jauregui Aye
P. Reddy Aye
L. Heisser Aye

H. Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) MOY Review

Kate Farrar presented LCAP MOY rreview.

I. Approval of Title IV LCAP Federal Addendum for Equitas #6 and Revision to Title IV LCAP Addendum for Equitas Academy, Equitas #2, Equitas #3, Equitas #4, and Equitas #5

M. Gomez made a motion to Approve Title IV LCAP Federal Addendum for Equitas #6 and Revision to Title IV LCAP Addendum for Equitas Academy #2, #3, #4, and #5.

T. Hollenberg seconded the motion.

Jason Rudolph shared an update on Title IV finding.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

T. Hollenberg Aye

R. McKenzie Aye

P. Reddy Aye

S. Jauregui Aye

M. Gomez Aye

D. Ortiz Aye

L. Heisser Aye

T. Bell Aye

C. Langston Aye

IV. Resource Development

A. Committee Goals

Catie Langston shared updates on Resouce Development progress.

V. Academic Accountability

A. Committee Goals

Sylvia Jauregui shared Academic Committee updates.

VI. Finance

A. Committee Goals

Tom Hollenberg shared finance committee updates.

VII. Governance Committee

A. Committee Goals

Tyler Bell share Governance Committee updates.

VIII. Culmination of Meeting

A. Announcements

B. Evaluation of Meeting

Excellent Materials

Appreciation for staff answering questions

Adding headlines made the Board Packet easier to navigate.

Would like to see what is happening in classrooms to celebrate Black History Month

IX. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

L. Heisser